Shillong, Darjeeling, Siliguri, Mysore, Madurai, Rajkot, Nasik, Jammu, Saharanpur and Roorkee.

(c) The passengers, who book their tickets through internet, pay Rs. 40/- per ticket to Indian Railway Catering and Tourism Corporation (IRCTC). In addition, the charges as levied by Master/Visa Organization and various banks have been detailed in the Statement enclosed.

Statement

List of Master/Visa Organizations and various Banks levying charges for booking of Railway Tickets through Internet.

Bank/Organization	Charges
ICICI Payment Gateway & Citibank Payment Gateway, Master/Visa Organization & member Banks.	1.8% of the total transaction value for Credit Card Transactions.
ICICI Bank Limited	0.5% for Direct Debit Transactions
Citi Bank Limited	Rs. 10/- Direct Debit Transactions
HDFC Bank Limited	Rs. 10/- Direct Debit Transactions
IDBI Bank Limited	Rs. 10/- Direct Debit Transactions

Projects in NF Railway

661. DR. ARUN KUMAR SARMA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of ongoing projects being executed in the NF Railways, indicating the date of sanction, original and present cost of projects, year-wise allocation and utilization made, progress of work, allocations for 2003-2004 alongwith the target set; and

(b) the details of additional budgetary support received from various sources to complete those projects?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI BANDARU DATTATRAYA): (a) Details of Ongoing Projects under execution on N.F. Railway indicating the year of inclusion in the Budget, original and present day cost, year wise allocation and utilisation made, progress of work and target wherever set with allocation for 2003-2004 are as under:—

(Rs. in crores)

Sl. No.	Name of the project	Year of Inclusion in the Budget	Anticipated cost		1983-84		1984-85		1985-86		1986-87		1987-88		1988-89	
			Original	Now anticipated	Outlay	Exp.	Outlay	Exp.	Outlay	Exp.	Outlay	Exp.	Outlay	Exp.	Outlay	Exp.
	New Lines:															
1	New BG line from Eklakhi to Balurghat including Gazoleltahar section (87.11 kms.)	1983-84	36.38	274.41	1.01	1	2	1.86	0.5	0.49	0.5	0.11	1	-0.43	0.0001	0
2	New BG line from Dudhnoi to depa (15.5 kms.)	1992-93	21.27	22.33												
3	New line from Kumarghat to Agartala (109 kms.)	1996-97	575	895												

(Rs. in crores)

Sl. No.	Name of the project	Year of Inclusion in the Budget	Anticipated cost		1983-84		1984-85		1985-86		1986-87		1987-88		1988-89	
			Original	Now anticipated	Outlay	Exp.	Outlay	Exp.	Outlay	Exp.	Outlay	Exp.	Outlay	Exp.	Outlay	Exp.
4	Rail-cum-Road Bridge over river Brahmaputra near Bogibeel with linking lines between Dibrugarh and North Bank line	1997-98	1000	1767												
5	New Maynaguri-Jogighopa (233 km.)	2000-01	733	733												
6	Diphu-Karong (123 Km.)	1997-98	800	1600												

(Rs. in crores)

Sl No.	Name of the project	Year of Inclusion in the Budget	Anticipated cost Original	Anticipated cost Now anticipated	1989-90 Outlay	1989-90 Exp	1990-91 Outlay	1990-91 Exp	1991-92 Outlay	1991-92 Exp	1992-93 Outlay	1992-93 Exp	1993-94 Outlay	1993-94 Exp	1994-95 Outlay	1994-95 Exp	1995-96 Outley	1995-96 Exp
	New Lines:																	
1	New BG line from Ekiakhi to Balurghat including Gazoleltahar section (87.11 kms.)	1983-84	36.38	274.41	0.0001	-0.0 6	0.0001	0	0.0001	0	0.0001	0	1	0	0.0001	1	5	4.35
2	New BG line from Dudhnoi to depa (15.5 kms.)	1992-93	21.27	22.33							0.8	0	1	0	0.0001	1.48	5	0.09
3	New line from Kumarghat to Agartala (109 kms.)	1996-97	575	895														
4	Rail-cum-Road Bridge over river Brahmaputra near Bogibeel with linking lines between Dibrugarh and North Bank Line	1997-98	1000	1767														

5	New Maynaguri-Jogighopa (223 km.)	2000-01	733	733	
6	Diphu-Karong (123 km.)	1997-98	800	1600	

(Rs. in Crores)

Sl No.	Name of the project	Year of Inclusion in the Budget	Anticipated cost Original	Anticipated cost Now anticipated	1996-97 Outlay	1996-97 Exp.	1997-98 Outlay	1997-98 Exp.	1998-89 Outlay	1998-89 Exp.	1999-2000 Outlay	1999-2000 Exp.	2000-01 Outlay	2000-01 Exp.	2001-02 Outlay	2001-02 Exp.	2002-03 Outlay	2002-03 Exp.	2003-04 Outlay	Ramarks for Progress and target date of completion
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21
	New Lines:																			
1	New BG line from Eklakhi to Balurghat including Gazoletahar section (87.11 kms.)	1983-84	36	382	74.41		3	4.51	10	3.07	10	10.99	20	12 .3	50	43.62	50	50.15	20.00	42.57	15	Eklakhi to Daulatpur has been completed. Track linking has been completed upto Malikpur. Between Malikpur & Balurghat, earthwork, land acquistion and minor bridges are in progress and nearing completion.
2	New BG line from Dudhnoi to depa (15.5 kms.)	1992-93	21	27	22.33		5	0.37	1.01	-0.24		10.01		20.01	0	1-1.22	0.10	0.00	0.01	0 0.01		Land acquisition papers were submitted to State Govt in July, 1997. However, Meghalaya govt. has not made available the land so fare due to resistance from local people. Work on this project would be taken up only after the land becomes available and will be completed within 2 years of land being made available.
3	New line from Kumarghat to Agartala (109 kms.)	1996-97	575	895	1	0.06	10	5.56	20	18.08	40	36.74	40	70.49	406	0.31	80	68.42	85	Kumarghat —Manu (21Kms.) has been Commissioned on 27-12-02. Possession of 775.70 hectares of land out of total of 789.50 hectares has been taken and land acquisition in balance portion is in progress. Earthwork and bridgework in the entire length are in progress. Tunelling has been taken up. Progress adversely affected due to severe militant activities on the project section.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21
4	Rail-cum-Road Bridge over river Brahmaputra near Bogibeel with linking lines between Dibrugarh	1997-98	1000	1767			15	0	2	0	5	0	50.03	14 (10 in BOLT)	899.12		40	58	60	Final location survey has been completed Papers for land acquisition have sub-mitted to State Govt. Work of collection of boulders, approach road and 4 major bridges is in progress.
5	New Maynaguri-Jogighopa (233 km.)	2000-01	733	733								6	0.01	20 (10 in BOLT)	1.17	8	8.06	25		Final location survey completed and report is under finalisation. Tenders for earthwork for widening of bank for gauge conversion portion from Maynaguri Road to Chandrabandha (19 km.) have been awarded and work started.
6	Diphu-Karong (123 km.)	1997-98	800	1600		0.01		00.00	10.00	1	200.01	4 15	0	5.000 1 (5 in BOLT)	0.00		4	0	3	On the request of Govt. of Manipur, survey for Jiribam-Imphal as an alternative alignment has been completed. As per the report, cost of Jiribam-imphal (97.9 km.) has been assessed as Rs. 748.86 cr. which has been processed for obtaining requisite approvals.
7	Hamuti-Itanagar (33 km)	1996-97	156	156	0.001	0	0.2	0	10	0.03	10	0.01	10	0 1 (5 in BOLT)	5.000	0.00	4	0	3	Survey for an alternative alignment, at the request of State Govt., from Bedati to Itanagar (45 km) has been taken up. The work would be taken up once alignment is finalised.
	GAUGE CONVERSION																			
8	Lumding-Silchar-Jiribam & Badarpur to Baralgram (292 km.)	1996-97	6461	596.7	10	0.06	33.84	1.16	404.54		4024.02		4044.88		4039.73		7070	61	75	Final location Survey completed. 324.33 hectares of land out of 365 hectares between Langting to Ditokcherra have been acquired. Earthwork and bridges are in progress. Tunnel work has also been taken up. Work adversely affected due to poor law and order condition prevailing in the area.

9	Katihar-Jogbani including Katihar-Radhikapur (200 km)	1997-98	100	397.8	0.1	0	0.001	0	0.0001	0	10	015 (140.34 in BOLT)	1033.5	21	Earthwork and bridges are in progress on Katihar-Jogbani and Katihar-Barsoi-Radhikapur sections. Earthwork completed for 23 km. length between Barsoi- Raiganj.
10	Katakhai-Bhairabi (84 km)	1997-98	200	200	0.1	0	0.001	0	2	0	0.1	0 5.0000.00 1 (5 in BOLT)	1 0	1	The work would be taken up once Lumding-Silchar is in advanced stage of completion.
11	New Jalpaiguri-Siliguri-New Bongaigaon (280 kms.)	1997-98	380	590	20	0	10	0	6946.74	80	58.75	79.87	157.65	122	139.3565 Earthwork, bridgework and other works are in progress. The mega block for conversion from New Jalpaiguri to Samuktala Road has started on 01-12-02 and is targetted for completion during 2003-04. Work on Alipurduar-Bamanhat branch line is also in progress.
	Dubling														
12	Harishchandrapur-(30 kms.) Kumarganj	2001-02	48	71								20.61	4.11	1.8	0.01 Earthwork & bridges are in progress.
13	Kumarganj-Ekiakhi (6 kms.)	2002-03	17.06										0.5	0.5	6 Detailed Estimate sanctioned. Tenders have been processed.

The Projects which have Physically been completed but are apearing in the Pink Book for residual works/Financial adjustments have not been given in the above Statement.

(b) Additional funds to the tune of Rs. 40 cr. have been provided during 2001-02 for New Jalpaiguri-Silliguri-New Bongaigaon guage conversion from the additional budgetary support given for expediting the progress of certain identified projects.

Training and Supervision in Railways

662. SHRI PREM CHAND GUPTA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that 65 per cent of the causes of train accidents are attributed to human error;

(b) whether this reflects a low standard of training and supervision in Railways; and

(c) if so, what are Government views on this?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI BANDARU DATTATRAYA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) NO, Sir. This does not reflect low standards of training on Railways. Indian Railways is a vast organization employing about 15.15 lakh staff and in the fact of safety considerations and manpower variety, training on the Railways is given a very high priority. All staff, including safety category staff, are properly trained before extensive utilization of newly acquired technological aids is adopted. Modifying and refreshing the training of Railway staff to update their knowledge and skill is a continuous process. A comprehensive training need analysis of all categories of staff is carried out and training modules are revised to suit the changes in technology, work practices and objectives of the job. Additional funds have also been allotted to the training centres for upgradation of training facilities.

Ultrasonic Flaw Detection Test during Monsoon

663. SHRI JANARDHANA POOJARY: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is mandatory for Railways to periodically patrol and